



MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Violet Varona-Lukens, Executive Officer
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Los Angeles, California 90012

At its meeting held June 15, 2004, the Board took the following action:

103-A

Supervisor Burke made the following statement:

“The United States Department of Health and Human Services, acting through the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), has announced the availability of Federal Fiscal Year 2004 funds for the Secretary’s Prevention Initiative for Americans, entitled ‘Steps to a HealthierUS’ (STEPS). A total of \$10,500,000 will be distributed nationwide.

“The County Department of Health Services prepared and submitted an application for STEPS last year to provide community programs in communities in South and Southeast Los Angeles, targeting chronic disease, specifically obesity, diabetes and asthma. The application was approved, but not funded.

“The Department has revised its previous application and is prepared to submit a proposal for a STEPS grant which would serve the communities of Compton, Florence, Willowbrook, South Los Angeles and Watts. The target area must serve a contiguous area of no more than 500,000 persons and there can be only one application per jurisdiction. This area was chosen based on the disease burdens of diabetes, obesity, and asthma, as well as available community resources to ensure success. The program guidance requires a transmittal letter from the Chair of the Board of Supervisors and the application is due June 21, 2004.”

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Therefore, on motion of Supervisor Burke, seconded by Supervisor Antonovich, unanimously carried (Supervisor Knabe being absent), the Board took the following actions:

1. Made a finding pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.2(b)(2), that there is a need to take immediate action and that the need for action came to the attention of the Board subsequent to the agenda being posted as specified in subdivision (a); and
2. Authorized the Chair Pro Tem of the Board to sign a transmittal letter for the "Steps to a HealthierUS" (STEPS) grant application from Los Angeles County for the County to provide programs in the communities of Compton, Florence, Willowbrook, South Los Angeles and Watts (within the City of Los Angeles), to reduce the burden of asthma, diabetes and obesity.

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Letter sent to:

Dr. Stephanie Zaza, National Center for Chronic
Disease Prevention and Health Promotion,
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